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## AMENDMENT

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action dated October 30, 2006 having a shortened statutory three-month period for response which expired on January 30, 2006.

Applicants herein petition for a two-month extension of time. Authorization to charge Applicants' deposit account can be found in the attached transmittal letter.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.